Situated on the crest of a ridge overlooking the Potomac River, Mt.

Republican is today one of the finest Federal houses extant in Southern

Maryland. The brick main block, three bays in length and having an end hall and double parlor floor plan, has main entrance doors with matching, elaborately traceried fanlights at both the north and south facades. The eave cornices are decorated with fluted triglyphs and metopes of diamonds, guttae, and chains.

The pair of flush gable chimneys at each end are bridged, displaying a small diamond in glazed headers similar to that seen at nearby Waverley. The somewhat lower two-story east wing was added circa 1820, while the two onestory additions to that are of a 20th century date. Apparently, most of the interior was remodeled early in the 19th century and in 1968, a fire destroyed most of the interior of the second floor and attic levels of the main house.

Mt. Republican was the home of the Richmond family, although its construction is attributed to Theophilus Yates.



